

To Use Computer Readable Form From Another Application, which is numbered pages 83 and 84.

Renumber claims pages 83-95 as pages 85-97.

Renumber Abstract page 96 as page 98.

REMARKS

The Examiner has required submission of statement to invoke the procedures of 37 C.F.R. § 1.821(e), in which an identical computer readable form from another application is used in a given application. Applicants have filed such a statement concurrently herewith.

The Examiner further states that the application contains claims directed to the following patentably distinct species of the claimed invention, wherein the chronic inflammatory disease is:

- A. multiple sclerosis,
- B. scleroderma,
- C. vasculitis, or
- D. arthritis.

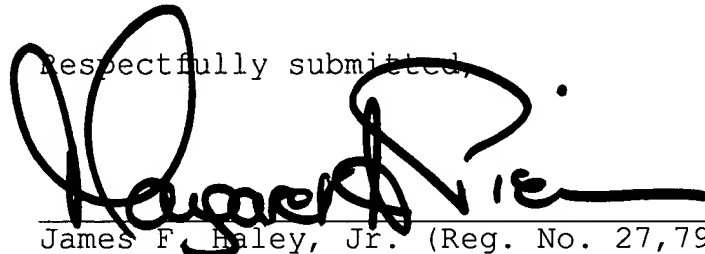
The Examiner contends that these species are distinct because the pathological conditions underlying the diseases differ in their etiologies and therapeutic endpoints.

Accordingly, the Examiner asserts that a further election of species is required, under 35 U.S.C. § 121, in the event that no generic claim is finally held to be allowable.

Applicants elect the subject matter of species Group C - vasculitis. The claims reading on this species include claim

104, with respect to vasculitis, and dependent claims 106 to 144, to the extent that they refer back to the vasculitis portion of claim 104. Applicants make this election expressly without waiver of their right to file for and obtain claims directed to the non-elected subject matter in divisional or continuing applications claiming benefit here from under 35 U.S.C. § 120.

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